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16 persons including 13 KSRP men test positive

- Policemen were on bandobust duty at Padarayanapura in Bengaluru, the COVID-19 epicentre
- Jockey Quarters sanitised, Biligiri Block sealed down; 145 total positive cases in Mysuru
- 168 ventilators, 3,500 beds reserved in Mysuru District, says DC

Mysuru, June 20 (RK,Akshay &BCT)- In a biggest rise in COVID-19 positive cases in Mysuru after all the Nanjangud cluster cases were cured sometime back, 16 cases were reported this morning.

Of them, 13 are Policemen from Karnataka State Reserve Police (KSRP), one resident of Srirampura and another is a Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) person who is serving at Reserve Bank of India currency printing press. Along with this, there are also reports from Bylakuppe (near Kodagu) that one person has tested positive.

With the latest 16 cases, the number of positive cases in Mysuru has risen to 145. The figure stood at 129 yesterday evening in the media bulletin released by the Mysuru Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar. The confirmation on the latest 16 cases too has to come from the DC and the report is expected today evening. In the State media bulletin released today evening, the number of COVID positive cases in Mysuru has risen to 22. More details are awaited. If the 22 cases are confirmed, Mysuru's total cases will go up to 151.

KSRP men were on duty

Today's 13 cases are of Policemen who had been on bandobust duty at Padarayanapura in Bengaluru, the epicentre of COVID cases in the State Capital. The Policemen returned to Mysuru after completing their security duty. They were put under mandatory quarantine at Biligiri Block of Jockey Quarters near Karanji Lake on Lalitha Mahal Road.

In all, 24 persons of KSRP platoon in Mysuru had been to Padarayanapura and other areas in Bengaluru for bandobust and on their arrival in Mysuru, all of them were tested. Of them 11 tested negative and 13 tested positive. The entire Jockey Quarters has been sanitised now and the Biligiri Block has been sealed.

Jockey Quarters sanitised

This morning, teams from Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), wearing Personal Protection Equipment (PPE), sprayed disinfectants and fumigated the entire area and its surroundings. As all of them were in quarantine, there is no danger of community spread, said Health Department officials.

The infected KSRP men and a resident of Srirampura and the CISF man have been shifted to the designated COVID-19 Hospital on KRS Road. The primary and secondary contacts of Srirampura resident and the CISF man are being traced.

One positive from Bylakuppe

Reports from Bylakuppe on the Mysuru-Kodagu border said that one person who returned from New Delhi tested positive and following this, his 15 primary contacts have been shifted to institutional quarantine at Periyapatna.

According to Tahsildar Shwetha and Health Department officials, the infected person is a resident of Hunsur and had returned from New Delhi on June 16 and was staying at a guest house near Tibetan Camp at Bylakuppe.

Officials said that he had visited a few friends and relatives. Officials also said that the person did not register himself in any Government platform about his travel history of Delhi and the taluk administration was not aware about his stay in the guest house. Last evening he was taken to a hospital due to COVID symptoms.

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Kurubarahalli Sy. No.4, Alanahalli Sy. No.41 and Chowdahalli Sy. No.39

Big relief for land owners as HC rules that land is private property

Mysuru, June 20 (OSR)- In a big relief to land owners, the Karnataka High Court (HC) on Friday ruled that lands coming under Kurubarahalli Survey No.4, Alanahalli Survey No.41 and Chowdahalli Survey No.39 are private properties.

A single Judge Bench of the High Court comprising Justice Sunil Dutt Yadav dismissed the Government's contention that the land coming under these Survey numbers is B-Kharab land (Government land) and upheld the land owners' claim that they are the rightful owners of the landed properties as they have received them from the erstwhile Mysore Maharajas.

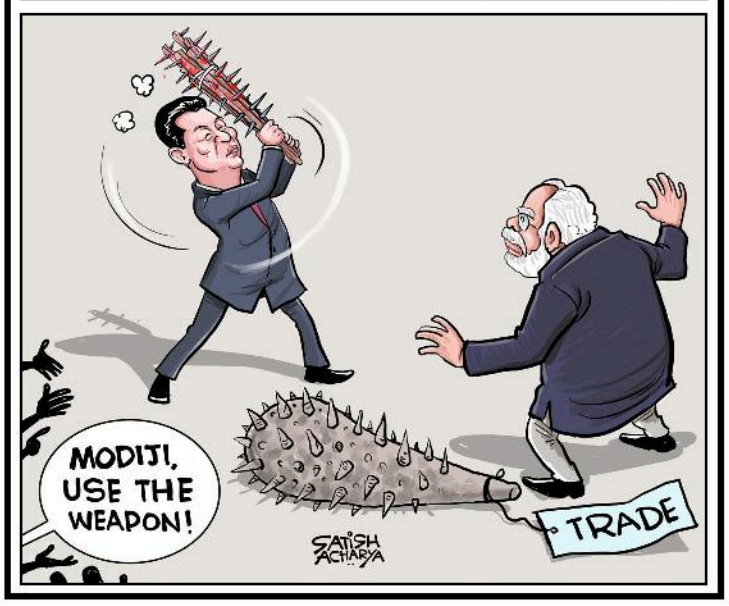
THE CASE: After the Government declared that about 2,000 acres of land collectively coming under Kurubarahalli Sy. No.4, Alanahalli Sy. No.41 and Chowdahalli Survey No.39 as B-Kharab land (Government land), hundreds of property owners who had purchased them from the Maharajas or got the property from the Maharaja as a gift were affected by the ruling, moved the High Court questioning the Government's declaration.

The property owners had claimed that the properties owned by them were either purchased by themselves or by their ancestors or gifted to them by the erstwhile Mysore Maharajas.

Incidentally, it was contended that the Maharaja got these lands as his private property through an agreement entered into on Jan.26, 1950 between the then Maharaja and the Government of India.

(See HC rules on page 3)

STAR PUNCH By Satish Acharya



Best viewed in Rajasthan, Partial

Surya Grahana in Mysuru tomorrow

By Dr. S.N. Prasad,
former Principal and Professor of Physics, Regional Institute of Education, Mysuru

Dr. S.N. Prasad

The great annular solar eclipse last seen in many parts of Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu on 26th December, 2019 is still fresh in memory. An even more spectacular annular eclipse is due on Sunday (June 21, 2020) but it can be seen as such only within a narrow 22 km wide belt passing through parts of Rajasthan, Haryana, Punjab, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand. It will however be visible as a partial eclipse everywhere in the rest of the country.

How are solar eclipses caused?

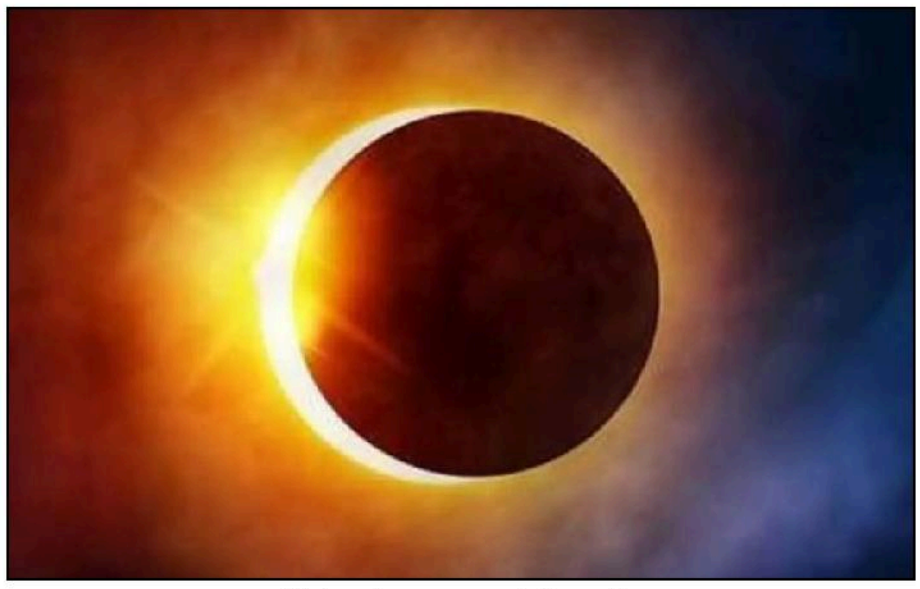
Before I proceed further, let me explain how solar eclipses are caused. At predictable times during the motion of the Moon around the Earth and of the two together around the Sun, the three objects may be lying nearly in a straight line for short duration.

When the Moon lies between the Sun and the Earth (on a new moon day), the latter can be found in the shadow of the Moon and hence sunlight may not be falling on certain parts of its surface at any given time. This is when a solar eclipse can occur. As seen from any point on the Earth, the Sun may be eclipsed, partially or wholly, depending on the geometry of the three bodies.

The most common type of solar eclipse is the partial one where only a portion of the solar disk is visible to the observer and is not of much interest. Much rarer is the total eclipse when for a brief period of a few minutes, the entire disk of the Sun is hidden from the observer's view. At any instant during a total solar eclipse, the Sun will be completely obscured and day turns very nearly into night for the duration of totality.

The visibility of the solar corona during the total phase is one of the most spectacular shows put on by nature. The rarity of total solar eclipses at any particular location on earth makes the experience all the more memorable and a once in a lifetime experience for most people.

Another very rare type of solar eclipse is the annular one in which the apparent size of the Moon is not sufficient to blot out the entire disk of the Sun and, for this reason, a thin ring of the solar surface is visible for a few minutes before and after the three objects are perfectly aligned. Two such annular eclipses could be seen in South India, one on 15th January 2010 and the other last year on 26th December 2019.



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Annular Solar Eclipse starts around 10.10 am, reaches maximum around 11.43 am & ends around 1.26 pm

Solar and lunar eclipses as seen from the Earth would not have been possible at all but for a very fortuitous and remarkable circumstance relating to the three celestial bodies. The apparent sizes of the Sun and the Moon as seen by us on Earth just happen to be very nearly the same, approximately half a degree in angular diameter. The sizes however are not constant because of small but distinct periodic variations in the distances between any two of the three bodies.

This makes the apparent diameter of the Moon sometimes slightly larger than that of the Sun and this is when the solar eclipse can be total. When the reverse happens, we can have the outer parts of the Sun visible as a thin annular ring when the three bodies are aligned perfectly; this is when an annular eclipse occurs.

Progression of solar eclipses

During a partial solar eclipse, a certain fraction of the solar disc is visible at all times and this will be a minimum at the maximum phase. Depending on the location, this can vary from just over zero to just under 100. Near the midpoint of an annular eclipse, a thin ring of the Sun surrounding the Moon will be visible, popularly called the ring of fire. It can be dangerous to see even this with the naked eye.

Tomorrow's Annular Eclipse

A part of the path of annularity passes through Rajasthan. Any observer located on the path will be able to see the whole of the annular eclipse. Eclipse or no eclipse, one should never see the bright Sun with the naked eye because of possible serious damage to the retina. See the Sun directly only through viewing devices fitted with safe solar filters. Specially made viewing goggles are most suitable for individual viewing.

Suratgarh in Rajasthan is one of the best sites for viewing the annular eclipse because of the promise of cloudless skies. With an obscuration of close to 99 percent at the peak of annularity, one should expect a substantial dimming of the day light and an equally significant drop in atmospheric temperature in the path of annularity.

Depending on the actual location, one can also expect to see the fascinating Bailey's beads, but definitely not the diamond ring and the solar corona, both characteristics only of a total eclipse.

Partial Eclipse in Mysuru

The eclipse is only partial over a wide area beyond the narrow path of annularity. This is so almost everywhere in India. In a place like Mysuru, Karnataka, far away from the path of annularity, the eclipse is only about 35 percent partial. It starts around 10.10 am, reaches maximum around 11.43 am and ends around 1.26 pm. [For an animation of the eclipse and related details for any specified location see:

https://www.timeanddate.com/eclipse/in/india/chennai?iso=20200621]

Eclipses and human behaviour

While eclipses are of great scientific and visual interest for some, the vast majority of people in the country look upon them as unwelcome and evil events which affect their personal lives negatively and from which they need to protect themselves. Many of them literally lock themselves up in their homes and come out only after the 'evil' has receded.

Most shops, hotels, schools and offices are usually closed, streets are virtually deserted and life comes to a near standstill. Even the current Coronavirus pandemic is not such a dampener.

Even as the gigantic Sun is eclipsed by the puny Moon for a brief period, many civilised and educated human beings undergo a total eclipse of their reasoning faculty. It is only the insignificant minority of diehards, immune to superstitions and blind beliefs, who venture out and try to view such events.

Even among them, many are unaware of the potential dangers of seeing the bright Sun directly with their naked eyes. Very few possess the right kind of solar filters for seeing the Sun safely. Some people who do know that it is unsafe to see the Sun with the naked eye assume that it is equally unsafe to see the total solar eclipse (when the Sun is in fact not visible at all) with bare eyes and so keep off and miss out on a great opportunity.

Epilogue

I and my small team of eclipse enthusiasts had originally planned to view the event from Suratgarh, Rajasthan but we found it physically impossible to reach the venue because of the COVID crisis. This has been a great disappointment for all of us. However, we will have the vicarious experience of watching the event being webcast by the well-known astronomer and astrophotographer Ajay Talwar from Sirsa in Haryana. This webcast is available at: *http://www.youtube.com/user/ajaytalwar80*

Mysurean becomes youngest Grand Master in Kuththuvarisai

Mysuru, June 20- S. Krishna Murthy, rightly called as 'Parartthah Maha Guru' in Kuththuvarisai (Indian Martial Arts), has been recently awarded with the title 'Grand Master' of Osho Kai Martial Arts Academy by Dr. D. Muniruddin Sheriff, the Grand Master and Founder of Osho Kai Martial Arts Academy.

Now, Hanshi Krishna Murthy, the youngest Grand Master of Martial Arts in India, is a recipient of many eminent awards including Shourya Rathna State Award, Karnataka Vikasa Rathna State Award, Bharatha Viksasa Rathna National Award, Youth India Gaurav National Award, Award of Excellence in International Hall of Fame (he was awarded Master of the Year) and recognition from Martial Arts Authority of India. It is a fact that he is one of the best martial arts trainers and practitioners in the country. Practicing from the age of seven, Hanshi Krishna Murthy has over 27 years of experience in the field.

An eighth degree black belt in martial arts from Osho Kai Martial Arts Academy, he has championed District, State, National and International-level competitions over many times. A doyen in the field of martial arts, Hanshi Krishna Murthy has donned many roles including State Secretary for Association of Sports Karate Karnataka, National Vice-President of Association of Sports Karate India and Secretary General for World Full Contact Karate Federation.

Currently working as the Chief Instructor at Osho Kai Fitness in Saraswathipuram, Mysuru, the thirty-four-year-old Hanshi Krishna Murthy has trained children and students in over twenty Schools and Colleges apart from training IAS and KAS Officers, employees in Infosys and L&T. He also organises self- defense classes in various Colleges.

VOICE OF THE READER

Careless disposal of used masks

Sir,

It is very disheartening to see used masks being thrown on streets, footpaths etc. Today, while on my morning walk I was shocked to see more than 50 masks thrown on the Tank Bund of Kukkarahalli Lake. Generally, people who go for a morning walk or engage in any physical activity in the morning are considered to be most disciplined and conscious but it's a shame on those health freaks who are throwing used masks recklessly which can cause major damage to the health of others. Used face masks may carry germs involving the Corona or many other virus, which can survive for one or two days in this humid conditions, being a major source of infection for our community. It may also cause a potential danger to garbage collectors when they use hands to pick up the masks.

Thus it is important for the Government to treat mask as medical waste and encourage people to use reusable masks over single use surgical masks and also ensure the used masks are safely recycled and disposed of.

As a responsible citizen, it is our duty to ensure we spray disinfectant on both sides of our used mask and fold them up before putting them into a sealed plastic bag and in the dustbin.

For the safety of others and ourselves, let's take care of our used masks. Disinfecting them will help ensure the used masks do not become a second source of Coronavirus or any other virus.

Let us stop that 50 masks from becoming 5,000 and a menace to the environment. Face masks saves us from this pandemic but negligent and careless disposal will cause equal trouble.

— Harish Shenoy
Trustee, Youth for Seva
Mysuru 19.6.2020

Online training for farmers on 'Agriculture loan management'

Mysuru, June 20- An online training for farmers on 'Agriculture loan management' was conducted on Friday under the joint auspices of the District Agriculture Training Centre, Naganahalli, University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru, College of Horticulture, Yelachenahalli and Agricultural Sciences Centre, Suttur. Farmers were informed about from which Banks (Co-operative Bank, Rural Bank, Commercial Bank and Private Bank) they can avail agricultural loans, low-interest Crop Loans, loans available under Farm Mechanisation Scheme, midterm and long term loans available on Minor Irrigation Schemes.

Senior agriculture expert Dr. Krishnamurthy spoke on the topic 'Agriculture loan management.' Farmers got information about Farmhouse Scheme, Agricultural Land Purchase Loan facilities for Small and Very Small Farmers, Renewable Energy Sources Schemes such as Solar Pumpset and Solar Water Heater, Animal Husbandry Scheme, Kisan Credit Card, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana and Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana.

The training was attended by 29 farmers from across the district and six staff and officers of the Agriculture Department.

Obituary

Revamma

Mysuru, June 20- Revamma (63), wife of Binakanahalli Basavanna and a resident of JSS Layout in city, passed away yesterday following brief illness.

She leaves behind her husband, daughters Shobha and Sumitra, sons-in-law Siddesh Babu Gombe and Vrishabendrappa and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at Veerashaiva Burial Grounds in Lalithadripura here this afternoon.

M. Nalini Urs

M. Nalini Urs (66), a retired SBM employee and a resident of Jayalakshmipuram here, passed away on June 18.

She leaves behind her husband H.R. Chandrashekar Raje Urs, who is also a retired employee of SBM and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday afternoon.

Big relief for land owners as HC rules that land is private property

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Many advocates had filed petitions in the High Court on behalf of their land owner clients. The High Court, after hearing prolonged arguments and counter-arguments, gave the ruling yesterday through Video-conferencing, thus bringing not only a huge relief for the property owners, but also putting an end to the row, which had been running for years.

Advocate O. Sham Bhat reacts

Reacting to the High Court's ruling, senior city Advocate O. Sham Bhat, who had argued for some of the property owners, said that the Court has directed the Revenue authorities to restore the Khata to the name of the property owners who had purchased the land from the Maharaja or from those who had originally bought from the Maharaja.

In 2010-11, the then Deputy Commissioner Harsha Gupta had declared that about 2,000 acres of land collectively coming under Kurubarahalli Survey No.4, Alanahalli Survey No.41 and Chowdahalli Survey No.39, as B-Kharab land, meaning Government land. Following the DC's order, some property owners, who owned lands in these Survey Numbers, questioned the DC's order in the DC's Court.

Later, when P.S. Vastrad became the Deputy Commissioner, he dropped the land coming under the said Survey numbers from B-Kharab classification and declared the land as A-Kharab. But as some individuals severely objected to his order, Vastrad withdrew his order classifying the land as A-Kharab. Thereafter, the row entered the corridors of the High Court.

Even as the petitions regarding the row were pending before the Court, the then Deputy Commissioner C. Shikha, in May 2015, ordered that the land is B-Kharab land, following which several land owners again moved the High Court questioning the DC's declaration.

Now the High Court has put to rest all the issues associated with the row by declaring that the lands coming under the three Survey Numbers are private properties.

Raghavendra Murthy, a property owner of Chowdahalli Survey No.39, said that the High Court judgement on the row is clear. As such the Government should do the needful and restore the Khata of the land to the rightful property owners. The row which had been running for years has now ended with the HC giving a clear verdict on the issue, he added.

HC ruling is a victory for people: MLA Ramdas

Meanwhile, Krishnaraja Constituency MLA S.A. Ramdas, who had only a week ago said that the row would soon come to an end with Government intervention, said that the HC ruling in connection with Kurubarahalli Survey No.4, Alanahalli Survey No.41 and Chowdahlli Survey No.39, is a victory for the people.

Pointing out that the High Court had been apprised that there were no petitions pending before any Court regarding the allotment of sites by MUDA and the then CITB in the Layouts formed by them on the lands coming under these three Survey Numbers, he said that in this backdrop, the Court was informed that there was no objection from anybody for handing over these Layouts to MUDA by the Revenue Department.

Asserting that his assurance on a permanent solution for the row would be found by the end of this month has become a reality, with Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa most likely to pass a favourable order to this effect, Ramdas, under whose Constituency the above Survey numbers fall, said that he is thankful to the residents of MUDA Layouts formed in the land coming under the three Survey Numbers who have been waiting patiently for years and to all the Associations and Organisations who supported him in fighting for the cause of over 25,000 property owners.

It may be mentioned that when Siddharamaiah was the Chief Minister, his Cabinet had taken a decision exempting the MUDA and CITB-allotted sites in the above three Survey numbers from coming under the B-Kharab classification. Actually, the Cabinet decision was to be followed up by the Departments concerned to implement the same. Surprisingly, that never happened during Siddharamaiah's period and even now MLA Ramdas says the Cabinet decision will be implemented by month end.

Helping Hands' distributes grocery boxes

Helping Hands, under its 'Food for all project,' distributed grocery box to the parents of the students of its adopted School at Ittigegud in the presence of BEO Rajaraja Aradhya. Helping Hands President Mahaver Khabiya, Secretary Anand Patwa, Treasurer Rajan Baghmar, Members Manoharlal Sankala, C.A. Sunil Lunawath, Goutham Patwa, Prakash Gandhi, Head Master Suresh Mallangi and others were present. Parents of adopted School children presented their views regarding the re-opening of Schools. Anand Patwa said that Helping Hands will be providing sanitising stand and masks to its adopted School.

Over 1 lakh to perform Virtual Terrace Yoga on June 21

Drone cameras to film performances; photos can be uploaded on AYUSH website

Mysuru, June 20 (MTY&BCT)- Till last year, International Yoga Day (IYD) that is celebrated on June 21 used to be a group activity on a large scale, but this time COVID-19 guidelines of social distancing have changed the way the event is being observed. This time, the theme for the day says it all: 'Yoga at home, yoga with family.'

For the first time, since its inception in 2015, there will be no mass gathering at centralised places for group yoga. To mark the day and engage more people, Government authorities and different yoga associations have opted for virtual yoga and in Mysuru, it will be Virtual Terrace Yoga.

Since the United Nations passed a resolution to celebrate June 21 every year as International Yoga Day, there has been a manifold increase in the number of yoga enthusiasts. COVID-19, however, has driven people to include breathing exercises in their daily lifestyle to boost the immune system to fight the pandemic. Yoga has turned out to be one of favourite fitness regimens during the lockdown.

Yoga enthusiasts can perform the activity inside their houses and on their terraces from 7 am to 7.45 am tomorrow. "While children, pregnant women and the elderly can perform Yoga inside their houses, others can get on to the terrace and do Yoga," Mysuru Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar said at a press conference held at his office yesterday. He added that there will be no opportunity for a large gathering at any given place.

Last year on the International Yoga Day, over 80,000 people had gathered at various places to perform the activity as per the protocol. This year, however, as there will be no travelling to Yoga venues and as people will perform Yoga at their homes, we are hoping to see a participation of more than 1 lakh people, he said.

Drone filming

Yoga performances in Mysuru will be recorded and filmed through drone cameras. "Earlier it was decided to hire a chopper to film Virtual Terrace Yoga. But considering huge expenses, it has been decided to use drones to film the activity," he said.

Also, Yoga enthusiasts can take the photos of Yoga performance inside their houses and on the terraces and upload the same on AYUSH Department's website (yoga.ayush.gov.in). Certificates will be issued by the AYUSH Department to the e-mail addresses of those who upload the photos.

The DC said that several Yoga institutions in Mysuru have been asked to promote Yoga at home and Yoga Federation, GSS Yoga Foundation, Pathanjali Yoga Institution, Mysuru Yoga Okkoota, Mysuru Yoga Sports Foundation, Baba Ramdev Pathanjali Yoga Training Institute and others are joining hands.

Tourism Department Deputy Director H.P. Janardhan, District AYUSH Officer Dr. B.S. Seethalakshmi, Principal of Government Nature Cure and Yoga Medical College Radhakrishna and D. Srihari of GSS Yoga Foundation were present.

CD release

A CD containing a 45-minute Yoga performance was released at the District Health Office so that household members can follow instructions to perform Yoga and avail benefits. The CD, released by DC Abhiram G. Sankar, has been brought out by Government Nature Cure and Yoga Medical College, Mysuru and it contains simple Yoga exercises based on Common Yoga Protocol as prescribed by the Ministry of Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy.

Students of Government Nature Cure and Yoga Medical College have prepared the CD in Kannada language based on the guidelines issued by the Ministry. Already more than one lakh people have viewed the CD in social media. Prof. Radhakrishna Ramarao of Government Nature Cure and Yoga Medical College, Resident Doctor S. Hariganesh, Organising Secretary Dr. D.S. Bharatheesh, Assistant Director Dr. L.N. Shenoy and others were present.

Yoga Nakshatra Award, book release and Yogasana

Mysuru, June 20 (PM&BCT)- On the eve of International Yoga Day, GSS Yoga and Mysuru Yoga Balaga gave away Yoga Nakshatra Award to five Yoga enthusiasts at an event held at the Pathrakarthara Bhavan in city this morning. The Award was given away to H.G. Hirannaiah, G. Venkatesh, N. Ashadevi, S. Harish and Vinayaka Honnavar.

D. Srihari of GSS Yoga, social worker Dr. K. Raghuram Vajpayee, Mysuru District Journalists Assn. President C.K. Mahendra, Former Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal, President of Mysuru Yoga Association Dr. Ramesh Shetty, Vice- President Yoga Prakash and others were present.

At another event held at Pathrakarthara Bhavan this morning, a book 'Yoga Manthana' Part 1 and 2 written by Dr. P.N. Ganeshkumar was released. The event was organised by Mysuru District Yoga Sports Foundation and Vivekananda Yoga Teaching and Research Institute. The books were released by spiritual thinker Sucharita Mataji and Government Hi-tech Panchakarma Hospital's Resident Medical Officer Dr. Shashirekha.

Secretary of Mysuru District Yoga Sports Foundation Bhaskar, Organising Secretary Geetha Kumar and Treasurer G. Surabhi were present.

On the occasion, an attractive Yoga performance was organised where international Yoga enthusiasts Saurabha, Ankitha, Vignesh, Vamshika, Sagari, Dhanushree, Mukta, Srijanrao, Varsha, Briti and Usha performed Yoga asanas.

Documentary on Samaveda and Music

Vid. Majunatha *Vidu. Sukanya Prabhakar* *Vidu. Srimathi Devi*

Mysuru, June 20- Kalpa Heritage Trust, Mysuru, has produced a Documentary on 'Samaveda Sangita' to explore the relationship between chanting of Sama Veda Shlokas and Indian Classical Music.

Vid. Majunatha Shrauti, an accomplished Samaveda Pandit, Vidu. Sukanya Prabhakar, well-known Karnatak musician and Vidu. Srimathi Devi, an upcoming Hindustani musician, have contributed their depth of knowledge in making this educative documentary. Shloka chanting, rendering of music of both styles are featured along with students of the maestros.

The documentary is in five parts of varying durations:

Part 1: Parichaya - Introduction; Part 2: Sangita Sagara - Detailed history of Karnatak Music; Part 3: Vedadhyayana - Samaveda history and chanting of shlokas; Part 4: Sammilana - Discussion of the relationship between Samaveda and Classical music; Part 5: Dvayamadhurya - Comparison of Karnatak and Hindustani styles of music.

The videos have been uploaded on YouTube and following are the links to the five parts:
https://youtu.be/wFJht94bsBg
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गरीब कल्याण रोजगार अभियान

"कोरोना के इस संकट में देश ने हमारे प्रवासी कामगार भाई बहनों की संघर्ष शक्ति और संयम शक्ति को देखा है। अब उन्हें ताकतवर बनाने की दिशा में हमारी सरकार समग्र कदम उठा रही है जिससे गाँव में रोजगार, स्वरोजगार से लेकर लघु उद्योगों तक, विशाल संभावनाएं भी जुड़ी हैं।"

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- ग्रामीण सार्वजनिक परिसंपत्ति का निर्माण
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Guest lecturers demand probe into suicidal deaths of fellow teachers

Mysuru, June 20 (RKB&DM)- Urging the Government to order an investigation into the suicidal deaths of their fellow lecturers during the COVID-19 lockdown, guest lecturers under the banner of Government First Grade College Guest Lecturers State Co-ordination Committee, staged a demonstration in front of the Deputy Commissioner's Office here yesterday.

Demanding the State Government to take serious note of the suicidal deaths of lecturers, the protestors sought Rs.10 lakh as compensation to the family of each of the deceased. They also wanted the Government to consider lockdown period as period of service and pay them wages for all the 12 months and to extend all mandatory benefits such as PF, gratuity and medical facility, besides assuring job security for them.

Committee District President K. Mahadevaiah, office-bearers Hanumanthesh and P. Baburaj and others were present.

Farmers block N'gud Road in protest against amendment to Land Reforms Act

Mysuru, June 20 (PM&DM)- Traffic on the ever busy Mysuru-Nanjangud Road was disrupted for over an hour this morning as farmers under the banner of Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha (Samoohika Nayakatva, meaning mass leadership) staged a rasta-roko (Road blockade) as part of the Statewide demonstration, near APMC Market on Mysuru-Nanjangud Highway.

As farmers blocked the Highway, the Police diverted the vehicles via Uttanahalli road.

Maintaining that the amendment to Karnataka Land Reforms Act sounds a death knell to the farming community, the farmers urged the Government to withdraw the amendment.

Asserting that the demonstration was aimed at protecting the interests of small and marginal farmers, they alleged that the amendment favoured land sharks and was grossly against the very spirit of the Act and as well as against the interests of the agrarian sector.

Alleging that the Government was out to turn farmers into beggars by making amendments to the Act, the protestors warned of a massive movement if it went ahead with the amendment.

The farmers winded up the demonstration by presenting a memorandum to Additional Deputy Commissioner B.R. Poornima, who visited the spot.

Sangha office-bearers Vidyasagar, T. Ramegowda, Nanjegowda, Raghu Himmavu, Manjukiran, Satish Rao and others were present.

DSS stages protest

In another protest over the same issue, members of Dalit Sangharsha Samiti (DSS) staged a demonstration in front of the Deputy Commissioner's Office this morning.

DSS office-bearers Harihara Anandaswamy, Dr.Chandrasekhar Alagudu, Pailwan Krishna, Chakrapani, N.P.Gurumurthy, R.Raju, D.N. Babu, S.Nagaraj, Mahadevu and others took part.

Takes charge as KPCL Technical Director

Bengaluru, June 20- C. Venugopal has taken charge as the Technical Director of Karnataka Power Coporation Limited (KPCL) at Head Office Shakthi Bhavan, Bengaluru, on June 18.

Earlier, he was serving as the Executive Director (Thermal) at Raichur Thermal Power Station (RTPS), Shankthinagar, Raichur, according to a press release from B.V. Naik, Deputy General Manager (Corporate Communications), KPCL.

Youth's murder

Police pick up nine persons for questioning

Arshith

Mysuru, June 20 (RK&BCT)- The murder of a youth in broad daylight on June 16 in Vijayanagar Fourth Stage has turned out to be a case of professional rivalry and competition to cash in on increased customer base of beauty care. This rivalry resulted in one of the parties to give Supari to eliminate the other, Police said.

Investigating the murder case of 31-year-old Ashrith, who was running 'Infinity Hair and Skin Solution' in Vijayanagar First Stage, the Police have reportedly picked up nine suspects from Bengaluru in connection with the case.

The Police have depended on modern investigation techniques and collected clues regarding the case and have picked up the nine persons. DCP (Law and Order) Dr. A.N. Prakash Gowda told 'Star of Mysore' that the investigation into the case was under progress. "We have picked up a few suspicious persons in connection with the case and they are being grilled to ascertain facts. We have not formally arrested anyone but we will nail the killers soon," he said.

Investigation has revealed that four persons were directly involved in the murder while they were indirectly helped by a couple of other persons. The suspects who are being probed now are either active or passive participants in the murder, Police sources said.

Ashrith hailed from Chikkamagalur and he along with his friends from Bengaluru Goutham, Manasa and Manju were working at 'Hair and Skin Factory' in Vijayanagar First Stage. They had a good customer base and they were dealing with hair grafting, bonding and transplantation.

Last February, Ashrith, Goutham, Manasa and Manju broke away with 'Hair and Skin Factory' and established 'Infinity Hair and Skin Solution' in Vijayanagar First Stage and did the same hair and skin business. However, this irked the owners of 'Hair and Skin Factory' Rajaram, his wife Shelly Latter, employee Rajath and Prashanth from Hubballi.

Ashrith's partner Goutham had filed a complaint with Vijayanagar Police and accused Rajaram, his wife, Rajath and Prashanth alleging conspiracy that led to the killing of his business partner. Goutham alleged that Rajath used to call them frequently over phone and threaten of murdering them if they do not close down their business. The bone of contention was professional rivalry and a large customer base. Ashrith was killed on June 16 when he went out of his house to have a cup of tea when his scooter was knocked down by another scooter and two persons who came in a bike and hacked him. Ashrith died on the way to the hospital. Vijayanagar Inspector Balakrishna took up the investigation.

Based on Goutham's complaint that Rajaram, his wife Shelly, Rajath and Prashanth were involved in the murder, the Police began looking out for clues. Considering the seriousness of the issue, City Police Commissioner Dr. Chandragupta had asked Balakrishna to take the help of Narasimharaja Sub-division Police.

Police sources said that ACP Shivashankar and team of Narasimharaja Sub-division had picked up the nine persons from Bengaluru for questioning.

Man fined Rs. 3,000 for dumping construction debris on Bogadi Ring Road

Mysuru, June 20 (RK&KS)- In a bid to tackle the menace of construction debris being dumped on the Outer Ring Road, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) officials have collected a fine of Rs. 3,000 from a vehicle owner for dumping construction debris near Anandnagar on Bogadi Ring Road.

A team of MCC officials led by MCC Zone 3 Zonal Officer Shivanandamurthy and comprising Zone 3 Development Officer T.S. Sathyamurthy, Environment Engineer Sridevi and Health Inspector Geetha, who were on their regular rounds on the Ring Road saw construction debris dumped near Anandnagar on June 17. The officials, who collected information from the public, traced one Marikenchegowda, who was driving the vehicle yesterday and fined him Rs. 3,000. The MCC officials have warned of initiating legal action on those who are found dumping garbage, construction debris and wastes on the sides of Ring Road and other non-designated places.

Medical store on busy street at Kuvempunagar gutted

Medicines, equipment worth Rs. 1 crore reduced to rubble

Mysuru, June 20 (RK&BCT)- Medicines and equipment worth more than Rs. 1 crore were reduced to ashes at a medical store in Kuvempunagar past last midnight. The fire has been attributed to short circuit.

The fire was observed at Mega Medicals at 1.30 am and the entire building was engulfed in flames. The medical store is located on the road opposite Shanthi Sagar Hotel in Kuvempunagar. What started as a small fire inside the store spread to the entire building.

It is a busy area and as it was past midnight, there were hardly any people. However, some passers-by alerted the Kuvempunagar Police who informed the Fire Department. As the building that was on fire was located close to other buildings, there was a danger of the inferno spreading to neighbouring structures.

Fire tenders from Saraswathipuram and Bannimantap rushed to the spot and in an operation that lasted till today morning, doused the fire. In his statement to the Fire Officers, shop owner Sameer said that the store was a retail outlet-cum-storage godown where large quantity of medicines and cold storage equipment were kept. He told them that the total loss can be pegged at more than Rs. 1 crore.

Over 30 employees work in the store and as the fire occurred past midnight, there was no harm to human lives, said fire officials. The building is 15 years old, said officials. Kuvempunagar Police Inspector Raju visited the place and has registered a case.

MCC takes custody of stray horses

Mysuru, June 20 (RK&DM)- Cracking a whip on stray animal menace in the city, the Veterinary Section of the MCC took six stray horses into their custody as they were found to be hampering vehicular movement on roads around the Deputy Commissioner's Office this morning.

MCC Veterinary Officer Dr. Thirumalegowda told 'Star of Mysore' that following public complaints of stray horses wandering on roads blocking vehicular movement near the DC Office, the MCC staff led by Shyamsundar caught six stray horses after which they were taken to the MCC's cattle shed near Sanskrit Pathashala Signal, where they will be kept for six days. The owners can take back their horses by paying a penalty of Rs.500 per day per horse, he said and added that if no one comes forward claiming ownership of the horses within six days, then they will be sent to Pinjrapole on the outskirts of the city.

Dr. Thirumalegowda also warned domestic animal and cattle owners against letting their animals wander freely on the streets.

Former CM Siddharamaiah condemns hike in fuel prices

Launches protest by selling petrol at Rs. 25 per litre

Mysuru, June 20 (RKB&KS)- In a bid to show the Governments at the Centre and the State that petrol could be sold at Rs. 25 per litre, former CM Siddharamaiah, who condemned the high fuel prices, launched a protest organised by former MLA M.K. Somashekar at Chikkamma Nikethana Kalyan Mantap in city yesterday. He symbolically sold petrol at Rs. 25 per litre at the nearby Petrol Bunk, owned by Somashekar. About 100 people were issued tokens at the Kalyan Mantap, which they could utilise to purchase petrol at Rs. 25 per litre at the Petrol Bunk of the former MLA.

Speaking to press persons, Siddharamaiah said that during Dr. Manmohan Singh's Government at the Centre, the prices of crude oil was between $120 and $130 per barrel and added that the prices of crude oil now is between $38 and $39. At the present price, petrol could be sold at Rs. 25 per litre but it is sold at Rs. 79 per litre and diesel is being sold at Rs. 71 per litre.

Stating that the present price of petrol is Rs. 18.60 per litre, Siddharamaiah accused the Government of imposing high tax which was actually burdening the poor and the middle class, who are already suffering from financial problems due to COVID-19 pandemic and lockdown.

Siddharamaiah said that the Government should not focus on making huge profit in this present situation as many have become jobless facing financial problems. Accusing the Government of creating a chaos-like situation, he said that the Government should now focus on building confidence among the people and create job opportunities to the jobless.

Former MLA M.K. Somashekar, former MP R. Dhruvanarayan, City Congress President R. Murthy, District President Dr. B.J. Vijaykumar, former Mayor Pushpalatha Chikkanna were present.

State committed to totally ban mining around KRS

Several quarry owners have approached Court, says Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai

Mandya, June 20 (Nagaiah & BCT)- The State Government is prepared and committed to impose a total ban on quarrying around the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam in Srirangapatna taluk of Mandya district, said Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai in Mandya yesterday.

Speaking to reporters after chairing a meeting of Police officers at the Office of Superintendent of Police in Mandya, the Home Minister noted that the Mines and Geology Department has submitted a report on the impact of stone quarrying on KRS Dam. "We have asked the District administration to take steps to permanently ban mining and stone quarrying in and around KRS. The administration had earlier banned mining but this was questioned in the Courts. We will have to wait for the orders from the Court," the Home Minister said.

There is rampant mining activity at Baby Betta Kaval, Baby Betta Amruth Mahal Reserve Area, Bannangadi, Chinakurali, Anaganahalli, Kannambadi, Honaganahalli, Bastipura, Beechanakuppe, Avverahalli and surrounding areas in Mandya and Pandavapura.

Farmers and various associations have been demanding a ban on stone quarrying and use of explosives within a 20 km radius of the Dam. The Government is committed to banning it. There are over 80 stone quarrying units, a majority of them owned by politicians in Srirangapatna and Pandavapura taluks. Most of the operators use high-intensity explosives to extract stones. This has been causing tremors and loud sounds near KRS Dam.

The Karnataka State Natural Disaster Monitoring Centre (KSNDMC) had submitted a report to the Mandya district administration with suggestions to prevent the use of high-density explosive substances.

16 persons test positive

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While his girlfriend tested negative, the Delhi returnee tested positive. He has been shifted to Mysuru COVID Hospital and the guest house where he stayed has been sealed down. And his primary contacts have been taken to Taluk Hospital for swab test and they will be quarantined at a guest house in Alanahalli near Periyapatna, sad Tahsildar Shwetha.

Six test positive on June 19

Last evening in Mysuru, six persons tested positive. Of them, four are primary contacts of Ittigegud Tamil Nadu returnee (all of them are from one family), one primary contact of Bengaluru returnee (Nanjangud) and one primary contact of a positive case in Kolar who visited his native in Mysuru tested positive in Kolar on Wednesday.

Among the infected family members of Ittigegud Tamil Nadu returnee are 62, 82, 52 and 32 year olds. They are the primary contacts of BMTC employee who had come to meet his wife at Kittur Rani Chennamma Hostel a couple of days back. The BMTC employee was tested positive two days back and now his wife and three other primary contacts have tested positive.

The person who had come from Kolar to his sister's place in Mysuru tested positive in Kolar. He is serving as an employee of Kolar Jail (Police Department). After he tested positive, during contact tracing, it was discovered that he had come to Mysuru to his sister's house. Now his 29-year-old sister, a Syndicate Bank (T.K. Layout) employee, has been tested positive.

Bank Road sealed

The MCC authorities have sealed down the road & area around Syndicate Bank, T.K. Layout (Saraswathipuram branch), after an employee tested positive.

DC's appeal

In an appeal, Mysuru Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar has said, "An employee of Syndicate Bank, Saraswathipuram branch has tested positive. Anyone who visited the Bank in the last 2 weeks are requested to register themselves by calling Ph: 0821-2423200 or 1077. Such people will be treated as contacts and home quarantined for 2 weeks. We request people to not hide the truth as their health and the community's health depends on people registering themselves as contacts."

168 ventilators, 3,500 beds reserved in Mysuru District: DC

Mysuru, June 20 (MTY&DM)- With fresh COVID-19 positive cases being reported in the District, Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar said that 168 ventilators and 3,500 beds have been kept ready as reserve for meeting any emergencies.

Speaking to presspersons here yesterday, Abhiram Sankar said that on an average, about 110 persons from neighbouring States and other Corona hotspot States of the country are coming to city by road or rail, while 50 to 60 people are arriving by flights every day and all of them have to compulsorily undergo medical check-ups upon their arrival.

Pointing out that following a Government directive, COVID-19 suspects are classified as A, B and C categories, depending upon the stages of the pandemic, he said that category C suspects, who suffer from very mild symptoms, are fed with nutritious food and kept at COVID care centres set up in School buildings.

Abhiram G. Sankar

Ventilators are vital for category A suspects as they suffer from low oxygen levels and the District Administration is ready with 168 ventilators to meet emergencies.

Over 17 ventilators are available at COVID-19 Hospital and 30 at K.R. Hospital, of which 6 are reserved for COVID patients, he said and added that a good number of ventilators are kept ready in Taluk and other Community Hospitals. This apart, it has been decided to procure ventilators from private hospitals such as Narayana Hrudayalaya and Apollo BGS Hospital, he said and added that collectively the District Administration will be having 168 ventilators in command.

The DC said that a total of 3,500 beds have been reserved, including those in Taluk Hospitals, Community Health Centres, ESI Hospitals and Private Hospitals. Out of the 3,500 beds, 250 beds have been reserved for critical care, he added.

Noting that fever has been found in 150 to 200 persons in city in the past one week, the DC said that however, these patients were found reluctant to undergo throat swab tests, fearing that the result may be positive. This reluctance may lead to further health issues and as such, people must voluntarily come forward to undergo tests if the fever remains unabated even after a couple of days, he said.

The DC further said that pregnant women who are found to be symptomatic will be treated at the Government Maternity Hospital in Jayalakshmipuram.

Glenmark launches antiviral drug Favipiravir to treat COVID-19

New Delhi, June 20 (Agencies)- Glenmark Pharmaceuticals today said it has launched antiviral drug Favipiravir, under the brand name FabiFlu, for the treatment of patients with mild to moderate COVID-19.

The Mumbai-based drug firm had on Friday received manufacturing and marketing approval from the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI). FabiFlu is the first oral Favipiravir-approved medication for the treatment of COVID-19, the company said in a statement.

"This approval comes at a time when cases in India are spiralling like never before, putting tremendous pressure on our healthcare system," Glenmark Pharmaceuticals Chairman and Managing Director Glenn Saldanha said. The company hopes that the availability of an effective treatment such as FabiFlu will considerably help assuage this pressure and offer patients in India a much needed and timely therapy option, he added.

FabiFlu has demonstrated an encouraging response in mild to moderate COVID patients during clinical trials, Saldanha said. Moreover, it is orally administered and so it serves as a more convenient treatment option over other intravenously administered medications, he noted.

"Glenmark will work closely with the Government and medical community to make FabiFlu quickly accessible to patients across the country," Saldanha said. The drug will be available as a prescription-based medication for Rs. 103 per tablet, with recommended dose being 1,800 mg twice on day one, followed by 800 mg twice daily up to day 14.

Favipiravir can be used for Coronavirus patients with co-morbid conditions such as diabetes and heart disease with mild to moderate COVID symptoms. It offers rapid reduction in viral load within four days and provides faster symptomatic and radiological improvement, the drug-maker added.

Favipiravir has shown clinical improvement of up to 88 percent in mild to moderate COVID-19 cases, it said. The drug firm had successfully developed the Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient (API) and the formulation for FabiFlu through its in-house R&D team. It had then filed the product for clinical trial with country's drug regulator DCGI and became the first pharmaceutical company in India to receive approval for conducting phase 3 clinical trial on mild to moderate COVID patients.

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